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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,517,405

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Reference AA was cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office during examination proceedings of the German application corresponding to the present United States application, and also was identified and discussed at page 2 of the present specification.

A copy of Reference AA together with Form 1449 is submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application, and therefore, this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of Reference AA, and early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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